

Judge Michael K. Ryan

Judge Ryan was appointed to the King County Superior Court on January 10, 2019 by Governor Jay Inslee. He assumed the position previously occupied by Judge Barbara Mack, who retired in January of that year.

Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Ryan was an Assistant City Attorney with the City of Seattle in the Government Affairs Section, where he focused on constitutional, appellate, and municipal law. Before that, he was a partner at the law firm of K&L Gates, where he began his career as an associate at Preston Gates & Ellis. While in private practice, he focused on complex civil litigation, municipal, constitutional, and appellate litigation. Judge Ryan also clerked for the Honorable Frank J. Magill of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.

Judge Ryan received his J.D., *magna cum laude* and Order of the Coif, from Georgetown University Law Center, where he also served as an Executive Editor for the *Georgetown Law Journal*. He received his B.S. with high honors, from Rutgers College, where he was the captain of the Cross-Country and Track and Field teams.